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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION**

In response to the office action dated 12/23/2003, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

It is respectfully requested that the following claims listed on pages 2 and 3 of the amendment be substituted for the claims on file. The claims have been amended by eliminating reference numerals.

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